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SUBJECT:

Inquiry dated 22 December 1959 (3601-L-2758) about
Textile Mills in Yur'yevets (57°20'N-43°06'E)

A thorough search indicates that our information on the two textile mills in Yur'yevets is also extremely meager. However, we call your attention to U.S. Naval Attaché Report, Moscow, No. 201-55, 21 February 1956, which included two photographs of the Yur'yevets waterfront, taken from the Volga River. These photos, numbered ONI (H1) 1259429 and ONI (H1) 1259430, may show part of one of the mills. The report has been made available [REDACTED]

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Other available information pertinent to the topics you mentioned follows in extract form:

"In Yur'yevets, on Podgornaya ulitsa, on the hill opposite the flax mill [l'nofabrika], there is an interesting archeological monument -- an ancient hill stronghold of the D'yakov type." [The D'yakovskaya culture was developed by a group of tribes on the Volga and Oka rivers approximately from the 7th century B.C. to the 7th century A.D.] -- from the Soviet regional guide book, Po Ivanovskoy Oblasti: Putevoditel', edited by V.I. Kuznetsova, published by Ivanovskoye Knizhnoye Izdatel'stvo, [Ivanovo?], 1958, p. 151. This publication also contains a poorly printed view of the city on pages 148-149.

"Point 1. Textile Factory. The area covered by this textile factory was about 800 meters long and 100 meters wide. Source was never employed at this factory but observed 2 single storied buildings of brick wall structure, similar to the pamphlet illustration 2x with vaulted roofs, covered with sheet metal. The roofs had skylights. Each building was about 10 meters long, 15 meters wide and 15 meters high. Cotton was used as raw material. The cotton arrived by barges which were unloaded directly at the factory piers. The factory produced the material for the Russian Army summer uniforms. Further details were not known to Source. The country side of the factory was enclosed by a 2 meters high wooden fence." -- from a German PW report, 20 September 1950, date of information from June 1946 to September 1946.

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Point 17. Cotton Spinning Factory. Complex of brick structures, up to 15 m. high. Source was once in the boiler house of it but he did not remember exactly where it was located. Remembered 2 brick boilers with plain grates, charged with lumber and peat. Each measured 6 x 4 x 8 m. No Thermal Power Plant in plant. Electricity supplied from MIKHAYLOVO (57°0 N - 42°6 E) Thermal Power Plant. Largest factory in urban area. Labor force and details on production unknown. -- from [REDACTED] 10 April 1953, date of information from January 1946 to February 1947.

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Both prisoners prepared sketches which agreed in locating the textile mill in the northern part of the city, on the right bank of the Volga River, and approximately opposite the mouth of the Unzha River.

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